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for convenience only and are intended to affect the construction or meaning of any of the provisions of the contract.

19. Determinations

All determinations required by the policy will be made by us. If you disagree with our determinations, you may obtain reconsideration of or appeal those determinations in accordance with Appeal Regulations.

20. Notices

All notices required to be given by you must be in writing and received by your service office within the designated time unless otherwise provided by the notice requirement. Notices required to be given immediately may be by telephone or in person and confirmed in writing. Time of the notice will be determined by the time of our receipt of the written notice.

21. Notwithstanding the terms of the crop insurance policy and any contract for crop insurance under the provisions of this part, coverage under the terms of such crop insurance policy will be effective subject to the availability of appropriations.

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PART 433—DRY BEAN CROP INSURANCE REGULATIONS

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Subpart—Regulations for the 1986 Through 1996 Crop Years

§ 433.1 Availability of dry bean crop insurance.

Insurance shall be offered under the provisions of this subpart on dry beans in counties within the limits prescribed by and in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Crop Insurance Act, as amended. The counties shall be designated by the Manager of the Corporation from those approved by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

§ 433.2 Premium rates, production guarantees, coverage levels, and prices at which indemnities shall be computed.

(a) The Manager shall establish premium rates, production guarantees, coverage levels, and prices at which indemnities shall be computed for dry beans which will be included in the actuarial table on file in applicable service offices for the county and which may be changed from year to year.

(b) At the time the application for insurance is made, the applicant will elect a coverage level and price at which indemnities will be computed from among those levels and prices contained in the actuarial table for the crop year.

§ 433.3 OMB control numbers.

The information collection requirements contained in these regulations (7 CFR part 433) have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the provisions of 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35 and have been assigned OMB numbers 0563–0003 and 0563–0007.

§ 433.4 Creditors.

An interest of a person in an insured crop existing by virtue of a lien, mortgage, garnishment, levy, execution, bankruptcy, involuntary transfer or other similar interest shall not entitle the holder of the interest to any benefit under the contract.

§ 433.5 Good faith reliance on misrepresentation.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the dry bean insurance contract, whenever:

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(a) An insured under a contract of crop insurance entered into under these regulations, as a result of a misrepresentation or other erroneous action or advice by an agent or employee of the Corporation; (1) is indebted to the Corporation for additional premiums; or (2) has suffered a loss to a crop which is not insured or for which the insured is not entitled to an indemnity because of failure to comply with the terms of the insurance contract, but which the insured believed to be insured, or believed the terms of the insurance contract to have been complied with or waived; and

(b) The Board of Directors of the Corporation, or the Manager in cases involving not more than \$100,000.00, finds that: (1) An agent or employee of the Corporation did in fact make such misrepresentation or take other erroneous action or give erroneous advice; (2) said insured relied thereon in good faith; and (3) to require the payment of the additional premiums or to deny such insured's entitlement to the indemnity would not be fair and equitable, such insured shall be granted relief the same as if otherwise entitled thereto. Application for relief under this section must be submitted to the Corporation in writing.

§ 433.6 The contract.

The insurance contract shall become effective upon the acceptance by the Corporation of a duly executed application for insurance on a form prescribed by the Corporation. The contract shall cover the dry bean crop as provided in the policy. The contract shall consist of the application, the policy, and the county actuarial table. Any changes made in the contract shall not affect its continuity from year to year. The forms referred to in the contract are available at the service offices.

§ 433.7 The application and policy.

(a) Application for insurance on a form prescribed by the Corporation may be made by any person to cover such person's share in the dry bean crop as landlord, owner-operator, or tenant. The application shall be submitted to the Corporation at the service office on or before the applicable

closing date on file in the service office.

(b) The Corporation may discontinue the acceptance of applications in any county upon its determination that the insurance risk is excessive and also, for the same reason, may reject any individual application. The Manager of the Corporation is authorized in any crop year to extend the closing date for submitting applications in any county, by placing the extended date on file in the applicable service offices and publishing a notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER upon the Manager's determination that no adverse selectivity will result during the period of such extension. However, if adverse conditions should develop during such period, the Corporation will immediately discontinue the acceptance of applications.

(c) In accordance with the provisions governing changes in the contract contained in policies issued under FCIC regulations for the 1986 and succeeding crop years, a contract in the form provided for in this subpart will come into effect as a continuation of a dry bean contract issued under such prior regulations, without the filing of a new application.

(d) The application for the 1986 and succeeding crop years is found at subpart D or part 400—General Administrative Regulations (7 CFR 400.37, 400.38). The provisions of the Dry Bean Insurance Policy for the 1986 through 1996 crop years are as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION

Dry Bean Crop Insurance Policy

(This is a continuous contract. Refer to section 15.)

AGREEMENT TO INSURE: We will provide the insurance described in this policy in return for the premium and your compliance with all applicable provisions.

Throughout this policy, “you” and “your” refer to the insured shown on the accepted Application and “we,” “us,” and “our” refer to the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Causes of Loss

a. The insurance provided is against unavoidable loss of production resulting from

the following causes occurring within the insurance period:

- (1) Adverse weather conditions;
 - (2) Fire;
 - (3) Insects;
 - (4) Plant disease;
 - (5) Wildlife;
 - (6) Earthquake;
 - (7) Volcanic eruption; or
 - (8) If applicable, failure of the irrigation water supply due to an unavoidable cause occurring after the beginning of planting;
- unless those causes are excepted, excluded, or limited by the actuarial table or section 9f(5).

b. We will not insure against any loss of production due to:

- (1) The neglect, mismanagement, or wrongdoing of you, any member of your household, your tenants, or employees;
- (2) The failure to follow recognized good bean farming practices;
- (3) The failure or breakdown of irrigation equipment or facilities;
- (4) The failure to follow good bean irrigation practices;
- (5) The impoundment of water by any governmental, public, or private dam or reservoir project; or
- (6) Any cause not specified in section 1a as an insured loss.

2. Crop Acreage, and Share Insured

a. The crop insured will be dry beans ("beans") and will consist of:

- (1) Dry edible beans, planted for harvest as dry beans, of a class designated in the actuarial table; and
- (2) Bush varieties of garden seed beans (contract seed beans), planted for harvest as seed and grown under a contract (with a seed company executed before the acreage reporting date), which are grown on insured acreage and for which a guarantee and premium rate are provided by the actuarial table.

In addition to the classes of dry beans listed on the actuarial table for your county, we will insure other classes of beans provided:

- (i) The class you intend to plant has been demonstrated to be adapted to the area. (Evidence of adaptability includes results of test plots and recommendations by universities and seed companies. Two years of personal experience producing the class in your production area may be submitted for this requirement.);
- (ii) You submit your production report and prices received by the sales closing date, or the test plot results and price information on or before the sales closing date; and
- (iii) We provide you, in writing, an approved insurance offer which you accept in writing.

b. An instrument in the form of a "lease" under which you retain control of the acreage on which the insured beans are grown

and which provides for delivery of the beans under certain conditions and at a stipulated price will, for the purpose of this contract, be treated as a contract under which you have the share in the beans.

c. The acreage insured for each crop year will be beans planted on insurable acreage as designated by the actuarial table and in which you have a share, as reported by you or as determined by us, whichever we elect.

d. The insured share is your share as landlord, owner-operator, or tenant in the insured beans at the time of planting. However, only for the purpose of determining the amount of indemnity, your share will not exceed your share on the earlier of:

- (1) The time of loss; or
- (2) The beginning of harvest.

e. We do not insure any acreage:

- (1) Of bush varieties of garden seed beans not grown under contract or excluded from the contract for, or during, the crop year;
- (2) If the farming practices carried out are not in accordance with the farming practices for which the premium rates have been established;
- (3) Which is irrigated and an irrigated practice is not provided for by the actuarial table unless you elect to insure the acreage as nonirrigated by reporting it as insurable under section 3;
- (4) Which is destroyed, it is practical to replant to the same varietal group of garden seed beans or the same varietal group of dry edible beans, and such acreage is not replanted;
- (5) Initially planted after the final planting date contained in the actuarial table unless you agree, in writing, on our form to coverage reduction;
- (6) Of volunteer beans;
- (7) Planted to a class of dry edible beans or a bush variety of garden seed beans not established as adapted to the area or excluded by the actuarial table;
- (8) Which does not meet the rotation requirements designated by the actuarial table; or
- (9) Planted with a crop other than beans.

f. If insurance is provided for an irrigated practice you must report as irrigated only the acreage for which you have adequate facilities and water at the time of planting to carry out a good bean irrigation practice.

g. Unless otherwise provided by the actuarial table, insurance will attach only on acreage initially planted in rows far enough apart to permit cultivation, however, if insured acreage is destroyed and replanted by broadcasting, drilling, or in rows too close to permit cultivation, it will be regarded as insured acreage.

h. Any acreage of beans which is destroyed and replanted to an insurable class of dry edible beans or bush varieties of garden seed beans will be regarded as insured acreage.

i. Acreage which is planted for the development or production of hybrid seed or for experimental purposes is not insured unless we agree, in writing, to insure such acreage.

j. We may limit the insured acreage to any acreage limitation established under any Act of Congress if we advise you of the limit prior to planting.

3. Report of Acreage, Share, and Practice

You must report on our form:

- a. All the acreage of beans in the county in which you have a share;
- b. The practice; and
- c. Your share at the time of planting.

You must designate separately any acreage that is not insurable. You must report if you do not have a share in any beans planted in the county. This report must be submitted annually on or before the reporting date established by the actuarial table. All indemnities may be determined on the basis of information you submit on this report. If you do not submit this report by the reporting date, we may elect to determine, by unit, the insured acreage, share, and practice or we may deny liability on any unit. Any report submitted by you may be revised only upon our approval.

4. PRODUCTION GUARANTEES, COVERAGE LEVELS, AND PRICES FOR COMPUTING INDEMNITIES

a. The production guarantees, coverage levels, and prices for computing indemnities are contained in the actuarial table.

b. Coverage level 2 will apply if you do not elect a coverage level.

c. You may change the coverage level and price election on or before the sales closing date as established by the actuarial table for submitting applications for the crop year.

d. You must furnish a report of production to us for the previous crop year prior to the sales closing date for the subsequent crop year as established by the actuarial table. If you do not provide the required production report we will assign a yield for the crop year for which the report is not furnished. The production report or assigned yield will be used to compute your production history for the purpose of determining your guarantee for the subsequent crop year. The yield assigned by us will be 75% of the yield assigned for the purpose of determining your guarantee for the present crop year. If you have filed a claim for the previous crop year, the yield determined in adjusting your indemnity claim will be used as your production report.

5. Annual Premium

a. The annual premium is earned and payable at the time of planting. The amount is computed by multiplying the production guarantee times the price election, times the

premium rate, times the insured acreage, times your share at the time of planting.

b. Interest will accrue at the rate of one and one-quarter percent (1¼%) simple interest per calendar month, or any part thereof, on any unpaid premium balance starting on the first day of the month following the first premium billing date.

c. If you are eligible for a premium reduction in excess of 5 percent based on your insuring experience through the 1984 crop year under the terms of the experience table contained in the dry bean policy for the 1985 crop year, you will continue to receive the benefit of that reduction subject to the following conditions:

- (1) No premium reduction will be retained after the 1991 crop year;
- (2) The premium reduction will not increase because of favorable experience;
- (3) The premium reduction will decrease because of unfavorable experience in accordance with the terms of the 1985 policy;
- (4) Once the loss ratio exceeds .80, no further premium reduction will apply; and
- (5) Participation must be continuous.

6. Deduction for Debt

Any unpaid amount due us may be deducted from any indemnity payable to you, or from any replant payment, or from any loan or payment due you under any Act of Congress or program administered by the United States Department of Agriculture or its Agencies.

7. Insurance Period

Insurance attaches when the beans are planted and ends at the earliest of:

- a. Total destruction of the beans;
- b. Combining, threshing, or removal from the field;
- c. Final adjustment of a loss; or
- d. November 15 of the calendar year in which the beans are normally harvested.

8. Notice of Damage or Loss

a. In case of damage or probable loss:

- (1) You must give us written notice if:
 - (a) You want our consent to replant beans damaged due to any insured cause (See section 9.g.);
 - (b) During the period before harvest, the beans on any unit are damaged and you decide not to further care for or harvest any part of them;
 - (c) You want our consent to put the acreage to another use; or
 - (d) After consent to put acreage to another use is given, additional damage occurs.

Insured acreage may not be put to another use until we have appraised the beans and given written consent. We will not consent to another use until it is too late to replant. You must notify us when such acreage is replanted or put to another use.

(2) You must give us notice of probable loss at least 15 days before the beginning of harvest if you anticipate a loss on any unit.

(3) If probable loss is later determined, immediate notice must be given and a representative sample of the unharvested beans (at least 10 feet wide and the entire length of the field) must remain unharvested for a period of 15 days from the date of notice, unless we give you written consent to harvest the sample.

(4) In addition to the notices required by this section, if you are going to claim an indemnity on any unit, you must give us notice not later than 10 days after the earliest of:

- (a) Total destruction of the beans on the unit;
- (b) Harvest of the unit; or
- (c) The calendar date for the end of the insurance period.

b. You may not destroy or replant any of the beans on which a replanting payment will be claimed until we give written consent.

c. You must obtain written consent from us before you destroy any of the beans which are not to be harvested.

d. We may reject any claim for indemnity if you fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section or section 9.

9. Claim for Indemnity

a. Any claim for indemnity on a unit must be submitted to us on our form not later than 60 days after the earliest of:

- (1) Total destruction of the beans on the unit;
- (2) Harvest of the unit; or
- (3) The calendar date for the end of the insurance period.

b. We will not pay any indemnity unless you:

(1) Establish the total production of beans on the unit and that any loss of production has been directly caused by one or more of the insured causes during the insurance period; and

(2) Furnish all information we require concerning the loss.

c. The indemnity will be determined on each unit of dry edible beans by:

(1) Multiplying the insured acreage by the production guarantee;

(2) Subtracting therefrom the total production of dry edible beans to be counted (see section 9f);

(3) Multiplying the remainder by the price election; and

(4) Multiplying this result by your share.

d. The amount of indemnity on each unit of bush varieties of garden seed beans will be determined by subtracting the value of production from the dollar amount of insurance and multiplying the remainder by the insured share.

(1) The value of production is obtained by multiplying, by variety, the total production to be counted by the applicable price per pound at which indemnities will be computed and totaling such amounts. The applicable price per pound at which indemnities will be computed will be the lesser of the amount designated by:

- (a) The actuarial table; or
- (b) The contract with the seed company.

(2) The dollar amount of insurance is obtained by multiplying, by variety, the production guarantee per acre by the insured acreage, and the result by the price per pound at which indemnities will be computed and totaling such amounts. The price per pound at which indemnities will be computed will be the lesser of the amount designated by:

- (a) The actuarial table; or
- (b) The contract with the seed company.

e. If the information reported by you under section 3 of the policy results in a lower premium than the actual premium determined to be due, the production guarantee on the unit will be computed on the information reported, but all production from insurable acreage, whether or not reported as insurable, will count against the production guarantee.

f. The total production (in pounds) to be counted for a unit will include all harvested and appraised production.

(1) Mature dry edible bean production:

(a) Which otherwise is not eligible for quality adjustment will be reduced .12 percent for each .1 percentage point of moisture in excess of 18.0 percent;

(b) Of the classes of pea and medium white with a pick in excess of 4 percent due to insurable causes and of any other classes which, due to insurable causes, does not grade No. 2 or better, in accordance with the Official United States Grain Standards, will be adjusted by multiplying the number of pounds of such beans by the conversion factor designated by the actuarial table for the applicable grade or pick; or

(c) Which, due to insurable causes, does not meet any U.S. Grade or pick shown in the actuarial table, or would not meet these requirements if properly handled, or if a conversion factor is not designated by the actuarial table, any mature beans which do not grade No. 2 or better in accordance with the Office United States Grain Standards, will be adjusted by:

(i) Dividing the value per hundredweight of such beans by the price per hundredweight of U.S. No. 2 beans (except that for the classes of pea and medium while, the price will be the local market price per hundredweight for these classes with a 4 percent pick); and

(ii) Multiplying the result by the number of pounds of such beans.

The applicable price for No. 2 beans will be the local market price on the earlier of the

day the loss is adjusted or the day such beans were sold.

(2) Appraised production to be counted will include:

(a) Unharvested production on harvested acreage and potential production lost due to uninsured causes and failure to follow recognized good bean farming practices;

(b) Not less than the guarantee for any acreage which is abandoned or put to another use without our prior written consent or damaged solely by an uninsured cause; and

(c) Any appraised production on unharvested acreage.

(3) Any appraisal we have made on insured acreage for which we have given written consent to be put to another use will be considered production unless such acreage is:

(a) Not put to another use before harvest of beans becomes general in the county and reappraised by us;

(b) Further damage by an insured cause and reappraised by us; or

(c) Harvested.

(4) The amount of production of any unharvested beans may be determined on the basis of field appraisals conducted after the end of the insurance period.

(5) If you elect to exclude hail and fire as insured causes of loss and the beans are damaged by hail or fire, appraisals will be made in accordance with Form FCI-78, "Request to Exclude Hail and Fire."

g. A replanting payment may be made on any insured beans replanted after we have given consent and the acreage replanted is at least the lesser of 20 acres or 20 percent of the insured acreage for the unit, as determined on the final planting date.

(1) No replanting payment will be made on acreage:

(a) On which our appraisal exceeds 90 percent of the guarantee;

(b) Initially planted prior to the date established by the actuarial table; or

(c) On which a replanting payment has been made during the current crop year.

(2) The replanting payment per acre will be your actual cost per acre for replanting but will not exceed the product obtained by multiplying 100 pounds times the price election, times your share.

(3) The Corporation will transfer the original liability to the replanted crop without reduction by the amount of the replant payment and without increase in the original premium charged for insurance coverage when the crop is replanted in accordance with the requirements of the original planting.

(4) If seasonal conditions dictate replanting by broadcast method, and such method differs from the requirements of the original planting, the Corporation will transfer the original liability to the replanted crop reduced by the amount of the replant payment

and without increase in the original premium charged for insurance coverage.

If the information reported by you results in a lower premium than the actual premium determined to be due, the replanting payment will be reduced proportionately.

h. You must not abandon any acreage to us.

i. You may not sue us unless you have complied with all policy provisions. If a claim is denied, you may sue us in the United States District Court under the provisions of 7 U.S.C. 1508(c). You must bring suit within 12 months of the date notice of denial is received by you.

j. We have a policy for paying your indemnity within 30 days of our approval of your claim, or entry of a final judgment against us. We will, in no instance, be liable for the payment of damages, attorney's fees, or other charges in connection with any claim for indemnity, whether we approve or disapprove such claim. We will, however, pay simple interest computed on the net indemnity ultimately found to be due by us or by a final judgment from and including the 61st day after the date you sign, date, and submit to us the properly completed claim form, if the reason for our failure to timely pay is not due to your failure to provide information or other material necessary for the computation or payment of the indemnity. The interest rate will be that established by the Secretary of the Treasury under section 12 of the Contract Dispute Act of 1978 (41 U.S.C. 611), and published in the FEDERAL REGISTER semiannually on or about January 1 and July 1. The interest rate to be paid on any indemnity will vary with the rate announced by the Secretary of the Treasury.

k. If you die, disappear, or are judicially declared incompetent, or if you are an entity other than an individual and such entity is dissolved after the beans are planted for any crop year, any indemnity will be paid to the persons determined to be beneficially entitled thereto.

l. If you have other fire insurance, fire damage occurs during the insurance period, and you have not elected to exclude fire insurance from this policy, we will be liable for loss due to fire only for the smaller of the amount:

(1) Of indemnity determined pursuant to this contract without regard to any other insurance; or

(2) By which the loss from fire exceeds the indemnity paid or payable under such other insurance.

For the purpose of this section, the amount of loss from fire will be the difference between the fair market value of the production on the unit before the fire and after the fire.

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10. Concealment or Fraud

We may void the contract on all crops insured without affecting your liability for premiums or waiving any right, including the right to collect any amount due us if, at any time, you have concealed or misrepresented any material fact or committed any fraud relating to the contract. Such voidance will be effective as of the beginning of the crop year with respect to which such act or omission occurred.

11. Transfer of Right to Indemnity on Insured Share

If you transfer any part of your share during the crop year, you may transfer your right to an indemnity. The transfer must be on our form and approved by us. We may collect the premium from either you or your transferee or both. The transferee will have all rights and responsibilities under the contract.

12. Assignment of Indemnity

You may assign to another party your right to an indemnity for the crop year, only on our form and with approval. The assignee will have the right to submit the loss notices and forms required by the contract.

13. Subrogation (Recovery of Loss From a Third Party)

Because you may be able to recover all or a part of your loss from someone other than us, you must do all you can to preserve any such right. If we pay you for your loss, then your right of recovery will at our option belong to us. If we recover more than we paid you plus our expenses, the excess will be paid to you.

14. Records and Access to Farm

You must keep, for two years after the time of loss, records of the harvesting, storage, shipment, sale, or other disposition of all beans produced on each unit, including separate records showing the same information for production from any uninsured acreage. Failure to keep and maintain such records may, at our option, result in cancellation of the contract prior to the crop year to which the records apply, assignment of production to units by us, or a determination that no indemnity is due. Any person designated by us will have access to such records and the farm for purposes related to the contract.

15. Life of Contract: Cancellation and Termination

a. This contract will be in effect for the crop year specified on the application and may not be canceled by you for such crop year. Thereafter, the contract will continue in force for each succeeding crop year unless

canceled or terminated as provided in this section.

b. This contract may be canceled by either you or us for any succeeding crop year by giving written notice on or before the cancellation date preceding such crop year.

c. This contract will terminate as to any crop year if any amount due us on this or any other contract with you is not paid on or before the termination date preceding such crop year for the contract on which the amount is due. The date of payment of the amount due if deducted from:

(1) An indemnity will be the date you sign the claim; or

(2) Payment under another program administered by the United States Department of Agriculture will be the date both such other payment and setoff are approved.

d. The cancellation and termination dates are:

State	Cancellation and termination dates
California	March 31.
All other states.	April 15.

e. If you die or are judicially declared incompetent, or if you are an entity other than an individual and such entity is dissolved, the contract will terminate as of the date of death, judicial declaration, or dissolution. If such event occurs after insurance attaches for any crop year, the contract will continue in force through the crop year and terminate at the end thereof. Death of a partner in a partnership will dissolve the partnership unless the partnership agreement provides otherwise. If two or more persons having a joint interest are insured jointly, death of one of the persons will dissolve the joint entity.

f. The contract will terminate if no premium is earned for 3 consecutive years.

16. Contract Changes

We may change any terms and provisions of the contract from year to year. If your price election at which indemnities are computed is no longer offered, the actuarial table will provide the price election which you are deemed to have elected. All contract changes will be available at your service office by December 31 preceding the cancellation date (February 15, 1997, for the 1997 crop year only). Acceptance of any change will be conclusively presumed in the absence of any notice from you to cancel the contract.

17. Meaning of Terms

For the purposes of dry bean crop insurance:

a. *Actuarial table* means the forms and related material for the crop year approved by us which are available for public inspection in your service office, and which show the

production guarantees, coverage levels, premium rates, prices for computing indemnities, practices, insurable and uninsurable acreage, and related information regarding dry bean insurance in the county.

b. *ASCS* means the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture.

c. *County* means: (1) The county shown on the application;

(2) Any additional land located in a local producing area bordering on the county, as shown by the actuarial table; and

(3) Any land identified by an ASCS farm serial number for the county but physically located in another county.

d. *Crop year* means the period within which the beans are normally grown and will be designated by the calendar year in which the beans are normally harvested.

e. *Harvest* means the completion of combining or threshing of beans on the unit.

f. *Insurable acreage* means the land classified as insurable by us and shown as such by the actuarial table.

g. *Insured* means the person who submitted the application accepted by us.

h. *Loss ratio* means the ratio of indemnity to premium.

i. *Person* means an individual, partnership, association, corporation, estate, trust, or other legal entity, and wherever applicable, a State, a political subdivision of a State, or any agency thereof.

j. *Pick* means the percentage, on a weight basis, of the defects such as splits, damaged (including discolored) beans, contrasting classes, and foreign material remaining in the beans after dockage has been removed by the proper use of screens or sieves.

k. *Replanting* means performing the cultural practices necessary to replant insured acreage to dry beans.

l. *Replant payment* means that payment made to the insured in accordance with the provisions of subsection 9.g. of this policy which payment is subject to offset for premium owed.

m. *Service office* means the office servicing your contract as shown on the application for insurance or such other approved office as may be selected by you or designated by us.

n. *Tenant* means a person who rents land from another person for a share of the beans or a share of the proceeds therefrom.

o. *Unit* means all insurable acreage of either dry edible beans or bush varieties of garden seed beans in the county on the date of planting for the crop year:

(1) In which you have a 100 percent share; or

(2) Which is owned by one entity and operated by another entity on a share basis.

Land rented for cash, a fixed commodity payment, or any consideration other than a share in the beans on such land will be con-

sidered as owned by the lessee. Land which would otherwise be one unit may be divided according to applicable guidelines on file in your service office. Units will be determined when the acreage is reported. Errors in reporting units may be corrected by us to conform to applicable guidelines when adjusting a loss. We may consider any acreage and share thereof reported by or for your spouse or child or any member of your household to be your bona fide share or the bona fide share of any other person having an interest therein.

18. Descriptive Headings

The descriptive headings of the various policy terms and conditions are formulated for convenience only and are not intended to affect the construction or meaning of any provisions of the contract.

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All determinations required by the policy will be made by us. If you disagree with our determinations, you may obtain reconsideration of or appeal those determinations in accordance with Appeal Regulations.

20. Notices

All notices required to be given by you must be in writing and received by your service office within the designated time unless otherwise provided by the notice requirement. Notices required to be given immediately may be by telephone or in person and confirmed in writing. Time of the notice will be determined by the time of our receipt of the written notice.

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PART 434 [RESERVED]

PART 435—TOBACCO (QUOTA PLAN) CROP INSURANCE REGULATIONS; REGULATIONS FOR THE 1985 THROUGH 1998 CROP YEARS

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